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THE FOLLOWING IS THE SUGGESTED REMARKS OF VICE PRESIDENT
MONDALE TO THE ALBERTA YOUNG LIBERALS.

QUOTE. I AM PLEASED TO BE IN ALBERTA AND TO HAVE THE
OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH YOUNG ALBERTANS. THIS IS MY FIRST
OFFICIAL VISIT HERE AND I VE BEEN IMPRESSED WITH THE
PHYSICAL BEAUTY OF YOUR PROVINCE AND THE LARGE CONTRIBUTION
ALBERTA MAKES TO CANADIAN CONFEDERATION. I AM AN AVID
SKIER AND FISHERMAN SO I FEEL VERY MUCH AT HOME.

I BELIEVE THIS IS AN IMPORTANT TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE
INVOLVED IN THE POLITICAL LIFE OF THEIR COUNTRY. THE
INSTITUTIONS AND VALUES OF THE WESTERN WORLD ARE BEING
QUESTIONED AND WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF MAKING FUNDAMENTAL
DECISIONS WHICH WILL INFLUENCE OUR ECONOMIC FUTURE FOR
YEARS TO COME. I FIRMLY BELIEVE YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE UNIQUE
CONTRIBUTIONS TO MAKE TO POLITICS -- THEY RE ENERGETIC,
ENTHUSIASTIC AND THEY FREQUENTLY HAVE NEW IDEAS AND
APPROACHES TO DIFFICULT AND LONG STANDING PROBLEMS.
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DURING THE PAST DECADE YOUNG AMERICANS HAVE BEEN INSTRU-
MENTAL IN CAUSING THE UNITED STATES TO REEVALUATE ITS BASIC
NATIONAL POLICIES. WHEN I WAS A STUDENT AT MACALESTER
COLLEGE, I HELPED MANAGE HUBERT HUMPHREY S FIRST SUCCESSFUL
U.S. SENATE CAMPAIGN IN 1948. I AM CONFIDENT THAT YOU HAVE
SIMILAR OPPORTUNITIES FOR INFLUENCING PUBLIC POLICY IN

CANADA.

I AM IN CANADA AND IN ALBERTA TODAY TO REINFORCE THE ALREADY
STRONG TIES THAT BIND OUR TWO COUNTRIES. WE ARE ALSO
LOOKING AT THE POSSIBILITIES FOR INCREASED COOPERATION IN
A NUMBER OF AREAS, INCLUDING ENERGY AND TRADE. WE GREATLY
VALUE OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH CANADA AND I THINK THAT OUR
CONTINUED CLOSE COLLABORATION IS VITAL TO OUR MUTUAL FUTURE
WELL BEING. I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE WITH YOU
TODAY. UNQUOTE.
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